(c) whether it is a fact that the construction of wells programme under MWS has declined since 1992-93;

(d) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(e) the steps being taken to see that the MWS is properly implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT) (SHRI UTTAMBHAI PATEL): (a) and (b) Under Million Wells (MWS), 41913 wells have been constructed upto March, 1995 in Maharashtra since the inception of MWS in 1988-89. However, the details on wells actually functioning and being used by the beneficiaries is not maintained at the Central level.

(c) and (d) During 1992-93, at all India level, 180995 wells were constructed. The corresponding figures are 149231 and 143124 respectively for 1993-94 & 1994-95. In addition to this, construction of another 166165 wells was in progress during 1994-95, including the carry over from 1993-94. The works permitted under MWS, also include the other schemes of minor irrigation like irrigation tanks, water harvesting structures and also the development of lands belonging to the small & marginal farmers, which may result in a low preference for wells during a particulr year.

(e) To see that the MWS is properly implemented, the Collector/Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Zilla Parishad (ZP) alongwith the Project Director of the DRDA, are made incharge of the monitoring and supervision of the programme in the district. They are also responsible for the maintenance of accounts and taking such steps which are necessary for speedy implementation of the project. The State Level Coordination Committee (SLCC) of the State is responsible for monitoring at the State level. The State Secreatry of the Rural Development Department performs that nodal function under MWS. At the Central level, the monitoring is done through the receipt of monthly/quarterly/annual progress report from the States and also by way of physical monitoring through field visits by the Areas Officers.

Construction of Houses Under Indira Awaas Yojana

7381. SHRI V. RAJESHWAR RAO:
DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the houses constructed under the Indira Awaas Yojana is 1994-95 were less than those in 1993-94;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps being taken to see that the house construction programme is properly implemented under this scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT) (SHRI UTTAMBHAI PATEL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) For proper and effective implementation of Indira Awaas Yojana Programme, non-Governmental Organisations, voluntary agencies etc. are being actively involved in the construction of houses. The beneficiaries are motivated to contribute self-help in construction of their own houses to ensure economy in cost, quality of construction and self-satisfaction. The State Governments and other agencies are involved to make available the information on cost effective appropriate technology and improved locally available materials to the beneficiaries for construction of cost effective and durable houses. The national and State level R&D institutions who are actively

engaged in technology transfer are being involved in providing technical asistance and guidance in construction of better houses. The efforts are made to select the house sites for construction of Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) houses near the village habitation or work place or the place where infra-structure facilities are available, as far as possible, so that the beneficiaries may occupy the houses and live there. In selection of house sites beneficiaries and village panchayats are being involved to make the house sites selection process more transparent. Proper planning, faultless execution and also proper monitoring along will ensure successful implementation of this massive housing programme.

Ineffectiveness of State Level Coordination Committees

7382. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that in most of the States, the District Level Coordination Committees for the Rural Development Programmes are ineffective and thus the advantages under the scheme do not reach the block level;

(b) whether any such discrepancy has come to the notice of Government;

(c) if so, the States where District Level Coordination Committees and Block Level Coordination Committees have not yet been formed?

THE MINISTER TO STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT) (SHRI UTTAMBHAI PATEL): (a) and (b) Formation of District Level Coordination Committees (DLCCs) and Block Level Coordination Committees (BLCCs) are essentially the responsibility of State Governments. The Ministry has been emphasising that for proper integration of various rural development schemes the DLCC and BLCC should function as effective bodies. No discrepancy has come to the notice of the Government showing that advantages under rural development schemes do not reach the block level as a result of ineffective DLCCs.

(c) The Ministry is not monitoring the States where DLCC and BLCC have not been formed, as this is strictly a matter pertaining to policy of the State Government.

Financial assistance for various Rural Development Training Programmes

7383. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the financial assistance assured in the last Budget is sufficient for stipends of trainees, allowances for tool kits, honorarium payment to training institutions and payment for raw materials etc; and

(b) if not, what was the demand placed before the Planning Commission and what amount has been sanctioned?

THE MINISTER TO STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT) (SHRI UTTAMBHAI PATEL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Question does not arise.

Support provided under TRYSEM

7384. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 4838 given in the Rajya Sabha on 4th May, 1995 and state:

(a) how many families have been given support under TRYSEM scheme during the last three years; and

(b) what is the mechanism for selection of a trainee of a particular family in dire need?